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# THE CASE OF THE PARISH of St. GILES CRIPLEGATE.



HERE are in the said Parish, Eighty Five Sheds for the spinning Gilt and Silver Thread, in which are 255 pair of Wheels: The Masters, with their Families, amount unto } 581

These employ poor Parish-Boys and Girls, to the number of } 1275

There are 118 Master Wire-Drawers, who with their Wives, Children, and Apprentices, make } 826

Master-Weavers of Gold and Silver Lace, and Fringes, 106

Their Wives, Children, Apprentices, and Journey-Men, amount unto 2120

Silver and Gold Bone-Lace makers, and Silver and Gold Button makers, with their Families } 1000

Windsters, Flatters of Gold and Silver, and Engine Spinners, with their Families } 300

total 6208

The Poor's Rate of the Parish, amounts to near Four thousand Pounds per annum, and the Parish did assess 36 Quarters the last Year.

The Parish hath taken up at Interest, in Five Years last past, Twelve Hundred Pounds.

At this present are indebted, One Thousand six Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

Persons are daily removing out of the Parish, by Reason of this heavy Burthen, empty Houses increasing.

If a Duty be laid on the Manufacture of Gold and Silver Wyres the Poor must necessarily be increased.

Samuel Burges, CURATE.

Samuel Carr,

Robert Gascoyn,

Thomas Boucher,

Charles Robinson,

{ Church-  
Warden.

Thomas Horton,

John Crockford,

William Lawrence,

Benjamin Parker,

John Cash,

{ Overseers.

Richard Bowls, Edmund Joyner, Josiah Allen, William King, } Vestry-  
Henry Meridith, Adam Pottes, and Edward Turner, } Men.

There are very many Manufacturers of Gold and Silver Wyre, and Winders of silk used therewith, in these several Parishes, viz. Aldersgate, Aldgate, Bishopsgate, Clerkenwell, Covent Garden, St. Martin in the Fields, Shoreditch, Stepney, Wapping, White-chapel, Westminster, Southwark; besides the Persons that are employed within the Walls of London.



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